

# CLEARING PROCEDURES



## M 249 SAW (Squad Assault Weapon).

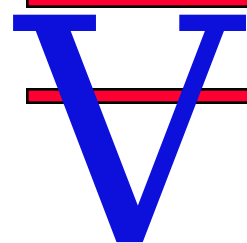
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(IAW FM 23-14, M249 Light Machine Gun & The Automatic Rifle Role, dtd 26 Jan 94)

1. Move the safety to FIRE position by pushing it to the left until the RED RING is visible.
2. With right hand, palm up, pull the cocking handle to the rear, locking the bolt in place.
3. While holding the resistance on the cocking handle, move the safety to the SAFE position by pushing it to the right until the red ring is not visible. (The weapon cannot be placed on SAFE unless the bolt is locked to the rear.)
4. Return and lock the cocking handle in the forward position.
5. Raise the cover and feed mechanism assembly, and conduct the **five-point safety check** for brass, links, or ammunition. Procedures are as follows:
  - a. Check the feed pawl assembly under the feed cover.
  - b. Check the feed tray assembly.
  - c. Lift the feed tray assembly and inspect the chamber.
  - d. Check the space between the bolt assembly and the chamber.
  - e. Insert two fingers off left hand in the magazine well to extract any ammunition or brass.
6. Close the cover and feed mechanism and move the safety to the FIRE

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## M16A2 (Rifle, 5.56mm)

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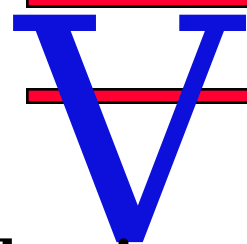
(IAW Army TM -9-1005-319-10) (DTD OCT 98 )

1. Point weapon in a **SAFE DIRECTION!** Place the selector on **SAFE**.  
If the weapon is  
not cocked, lever can not be pointed toward **SAFE**.
2. Remove the magazine. (Press the catch button and pull down on magazine)
3. Lock the bolt open, pull the charging handle rearward and press the button of the bolt catch; allow the bolt to move forward until it engages the bolt catch. Return the charging handle forward. If you have not already done so, place weapon on **SAFE**.
4. Check the receiver and chamber to ensure these areas contain no  
ammo

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## M9 (Pistol, 9mm)

### Clearing and Unloading Procedures: (IAW Army TM 9-1005-317-10) (DTD JUL 95)

1. Place decocking/safety lever in **SAFE** (down) position.
2. Depress the magazine release button to remove the magazine from the pistol.
3. With the pistol pointing in a safe direction, grasp the slide serration and fully retract the slide to remove any chambered cartridge.
4. Lock the slide to the rear using the slide stop and visually inspect chamber to ensure that it is empty.

5. Once clear, unlock slide allowing to go forward. Ensure  
Weapon remains on

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